

Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

10/773,139

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Applicant's Amendment dated 2/9/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 3-8, 14 and 17-20 (re-numbered 1-11).
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. This Office Action is in response to Applicant's Amendment after Final Rejection dated June 27, 2007 in response to USPTO Final Rejection dated April 17, 2007.

The cancellation of claims 1-2, 9-13, 15-16, the amendment to claim 7 and consideration of Applicant's comments are sufficient to place the application in a condition for allowance as set forth hereinbelow.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 3-8, 14 and 17-20 are allowed.

3. Relative to claim 3, the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record (Pub. No. US 2003/0111966, Mikami et al.; Pub. No. US 2003/0030601, Komiya and US 2003/0169379, Tsumura et al.) and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electro-optical device, comprising: a plurality of pixel circuits including a pixel circuit in which at least two electro-optical elements are electrically connected in parallel with an active element.

Regard claim 4, the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electro-optical device, comprising: the plurality of unit pixels each including a control electronic element which is electrically disconnected from the electro-optical elements.

Relative to claim 17, the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electronic device, comprising a plurality of unit circuits including a unit circuit in which at least two active elements are electrically connected in parallel with an electronic element.

Regard claim 18, the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electronic device comprising: a plurality of unit circuits including a unit circuit in which at least two electronic elements electrically

To Respond

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vincent E. Kovalick whose telephone number is 571-272-7669. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 7:30- 4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bipin Shalwala can be reached on 571-272-7681. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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connected in parallel are disposed in accordance with at least two active elements electrically connected in parallel.

Relative to claim 19 the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electro-optical device, comprising a the plurality of pixel circuits including a pixel circuit in which at least two active elements are electrically connected in parallel with an electro-optical element.

Regard claim 20, the major difference between the teachings of the prior art of record and that of the instant invention is that said prior art of record **does not teach** an electro-optical device, comprising a the plurality of pixel circuits including a pixel circuit in which at least two electro-optical elements electrically connected in parallel are disposed in accordance with a! least two active elements electrically connected in parallel.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Response to Applicant's Remarks

5. Applicant's remarks are rendered moot in light of the allowance of this application

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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| Pub. No. | US 2003/01932286 | Ottermann et al. |
| Pub. No. | US 2002/0058399 | Sato et al. |
| Pub. No. | US 2003/0169247 | Kawabe et al. |